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Subject (in full) C. Baroumis.

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With reference to the memo of the Officer i/c Special Branch of May 8, 1933, on the subject of C. Baroumis, enquiries show that this individual is a Greek aged about 63 years, single and poorly educated. He arrived in China about 20 years ago and was formerly engaged in commercial activities. A few years ago Baroumis inherited from his brother one Nikolas Baroumis, the "Niagara Mineral Water Company", French Concession, Hankow, and since that time has permanently resided in Hankow.

Baroumis is known to be suffering from some serious disease, and recently arrived in Shanghai to undergo an operation. He resides at present at No.19 Route Vallon, the house of one N. Zannos, a former employee of the Public Works Department of the French Municipal Council. The wife of N. Zannos is the niece of Baroumis. Baroumis visited Russia during the Great War in 1915 (?) in connection with certain transactions in tobacco.

Baroumis who speaks Russian fairly well is a well respected member of the local Greek community, and also the "Hellenic Communal Association", 36 Jinkee Road. He is not known to be connected and/or interested in political activities.

During the early part of 1932 Dr. Spurgatis resident of Peking was appointed Greek Consul-General for China and Mr. E.P. Yannoulatos, former Chairman of the local "Hellenic Communal Association", Greek Consul in Shanghai. These appointments were later published in the newspapers in Greece. However, prior to the Chinese government receiving any official notification from Greece, certain local Greek residents, believed to be personal enemies of Yannoulatos,

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sent a letter to the Nanking Government accusing him of harbouring pro-Japanese leanings. The result of this letter was that the Chinese government upon receipt of the request of the Greek Government objected to the appointment of Yannoulatos as Greek Consul in Shanghai mainly on the strength of the report they had received.

E.P. Yannoulatos, who has resided in China for about 20 years, has a good reputation and is the proprietor of the "Yannoulatos Bros. (China)", Silk, Lace, Embroidery and China Produce, No. 36 Jinkee Road. When it was discovered that a letter had been sent to Nanking, Yannoulatos and certain members of the local Greek community sent a despatch to the Chinese and Greek governments explaining the true facts of the case and that the allegations were false. It was also mentioned that Yannoulatos had received a decoration from the Chinese government for "Good work for China" and therefore could hardly be called an enemy of this country.

The question of the appointment of Yannoulatos has not yet been settled.

Regarding the accusation against Baroumis that he is a political intriguer, it is strongly suspected that this information emanated from the same source as that which accused Yannoulatos.

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Officer i/c Special Branch.

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From Supt. Tan:

C. BARCUMIS

Baronning (Photograph attached) Greek, is a well known political intriguer. He has lived in Russia & speaks the dialect. He owns a NIAGARA "mineral water company" ("Nagali") in the French Concession, Hankow, to which City he returned from Shanghai on the night of April 26, on a mission of the 3rd International.

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